Sachi A. Hamai

Chief Executive Officer | County of Los Angeles

December 2, 2014 - August 31, 2020



Sachi A. Hamai served as the Chief Executive Officer of Los Angeles County from December 2014 to August 2020. She was responsible for managing the strategic direction and day-to-day operations of the nation's largest municipal government, including the oversight of Los Angeles County's \$36.1 billion budget. Her strong fiscal management led Los Angeles County to achieve the overall highest credit rating in its recorded history, including its most recent S&P Global Ratings increase to AAA, the highest possible credit rating available in the financial markets. Los Angeles County achieved a total of four credit upgrades under her leadership.

As CEO, she was instrumental in developing, implementing and advancing the Board of Supervisors' key priorities. These included the unprecedented response to the region's homeless crisis, streamlining access to health services, justice reform, child protection, immigrant rights protection and environmental monitoring and oversight.

A champion of transformative change within local government, Sachi successfully challenged L.A. County's workforce of more than 112,000 employees to break down barriers, collaborate and innovate across a broad range of society's most challenging issues.

In 2019, Sachi was named one of L.A.'s Top 500 most influential leaders for the fourth consecutive year by the Los Angeles Business Journal. Innovate@UCLA announced Sachi as its unanimous choice to receive the 2019 Public Sector Executive Leadership Award. Sachi was also the 2018 winner of the Clarence A. Dykstra Award for Excellence in Government. Other professional recognition included the Asian American Architects and Engineers Association's 2017 Asian American Leadership Award and honors from the Asian American Employee Association and the Indian American Professional Association. In 2017, Sachi co-founded WomenLeadLAC as a forum for up-and-coming managers to network with L.A. County's top executives. She served on the board of United Way of Greater Los Angeles and was a member of the U.S.-Japan Council.

Sachi is a passionate marathon and long-distance runner who has participated nationally and internationally in nearly 40 races in the past five years. She achieved her personal best time in the 2015 Tokyo Marathon.